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SUBJ: MEDICAL/HOSPITAL EQUIPMENT EXHIBIT

REF: EICHER/SWETT TELCON 11/21/74, CARACAS A-446, 111/11/73

1. OIM HAS HAD RECENT EXPERIENCE, MARCH 1975 BOGOTA SOLO, CANCELLATION BECAUSE HOST GOVERNMENT UNWILLING EXONERATE EXHIBITION MATERIAL FROM IMPORT DUTY AND TAX REQUIREMENTS.

2. VENEZUELAN CUSTOMS LAWS TRANSMITTED REPAIR IN EFFECT SIX MONTHS PRIOR INSTRU-METAL IN CARACAS, BUT EXHIBIT MANAGERS STILL EXPERIENCED CUSTOMS PROBLEMS. SEE FINAL SHOW REPORT WHICH RECOMMENDS, FOR FUTURE SHOWS, NATIONALIZATION OF EXHIBIT MATERIAL, IF DUTY RATE IS LOW.

3. ACTION REQUESTED: TO AVOID REPETITION OF PROBLEMS NOTED ABOVE, USDOC NEEDS WRITTEN CONFIRMATION FROM GOV MINISTRY OF FINANCE (ART. 6 AND 66 OF CUSTOMS LAW) THAT EXHIBITION MATERIAL CAN ENTER VENEZUELA WITHOUT PAYMENT OF DUTIES OR TAXES. BONDED WAREHOUSE FACILITIES REQUIRED AT EXHIBIT AND FOR 90-DAY FREE STORAGE PERIOD AVAILABLE FOR NTM FIRMS.

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4. FYI: EXHIBITORS WILL BE ADVISED TO AIR SHIP, IF POSSIBLE.

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